Conducting Military And Peacekeeping Operations In Accordance With The Rule Of Law

(MASL P176019)

This six-week program prepares officers for service in coalition and peace operations. The course is also of value to those involved in domestic operations such as disaster relief and riot control. Emphasis is placed on conducting military operations within the rule of law. The curriculum includes expert guest speakers, working visits to the United Nations and to Washington, DC, and an active Informational Program. Diplomats, staff officers, military legal advisors, and individuals from nongovernmental organizations will also benefit from attending this course.

Week 1 - Overview of Peace Operations, Coalition Military Operations, International Law, UN Charter, UN Mandates and Processes, Peacekeeping Organization, Peace Agreements, Human Rights, Training for Peace Operations, Peacekeeping Doctrine, Operational Models, and Media Relations.

Week 2 - Law of Armed Conflict, Rules of Engagement, Command and Control and United Nations working visit.

Week 3 - Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief, Logistics Support, Nongovernmental Organization coordination, Misconduct and Military Justice, Ethical Rules, Mine Action, and Military Observers.

Week 4 - Operational Planning Exercise, Environmental Law, Washington, DC working visit, focusing on U.S. Government and Military structure in support of Peace and Coalition Operations.

Week 5 - Regional Organizations, National Law and Policy for Peace Operations, Status of Forces Agreements, Refugee Law, Mediation and Conflict Resolution presented by the U.S. Institute for Peace.

Week 6 - Peace Building, Transitional Administration, International Crime and Terrorism, and Graduation.

English Competency Level - 80

Funding is available from a variety of program sources including IMET, FMS, FMF, Enhanced International Peacekeeping Capability (EIPC) and Regional Counter Terrorism Fellowship. Specific approval may be required for some types of funding.

Fees cover lodging and transportation during working visits. Lodging and government meals are available on base.

Participant qualifications: Military officers or civilian equivalent who are or will be involved in Peace Operations.

Course dates: 10 April - 18 May 2006

9 October - 16 November 2006

Legal Aspects Of Combating Terrorism

(MASL P176028)

Combating terrorism involves the cooperative efforts of military and civilian agencies within a country and in the international community. This course addresses the many legal questions that arise out of this ever-changing problem. Topics include International Law and Treaties relating to Terrorism, Human Rights issues, Financial Underpinnings of Terrorism, Investigation of Terrorism, Prosecution of Terrorism, Interagency Cooperation, Military Response to Terrorism, Coalitions, Rules of Engagement, Terrorism as an Internal Armed Conflict, Border Security, and Maritime Operations. By responding to terrorism in ways that respect legal limits, a government will be more effective in its response by ensuring the support and respect of the people.

Subject matter experts in key areas of Combating Terrorism will join DIILS staff in presenting this seminar. Site visits to the World Trade Center site, a crisis management center, and port security facilities will give additional meaning to the classroom presentations and practical exercises.

English Competency Level - 80

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Participant qualifications: Military officer or civilian official equivalent who are or will be involved in combating terrorism.

Course Dates:

22 May – 2 June 2006 4 – 15 December 2006

Military Law Development Program

(MASL P176026 and MASL P176029)

The Military Law Development Program (MLDP) is designed to assist international officers and civilian officials in the development and improvement of their own military legal systems through a comparative study of U.S. military law. Participants attend classes at the Naval Justice School, including parts of the Basic Lawyer, Legal Officer and Senior Officer courses. They also attend the course on Conducting Military and Peacekeeping Operations in Accordance with the Rule of Law. Participants in the Spring class (MASL P176029) will take part in the International Law of Military Operations course. Participants in the Fall class (MASL P176026) will take part in the Legal Aspects of Combating Terrorism course. Key Informational Program (IP) activities will involve trips to Boston, New York, and Washington DC. After exposure to the U.S. military justice system, training, and institutions, participants conduct research based on a comparison of their own legal system and that of the United States, with an emphasis on recommendations for their own governments.

Topics include: Criminal Justice Procedures, Rules of Evidence, Court-Martial Administration, Administrative Separations, Investigations, Law of Armed Conflict, Treaty Law, Training of Judge Advocates and Court Personnel, Rules of Engagement, Military Personnel Law and Maritime Law Enforcement. Enrollment is limited to 10 students for each course so that course instructors may assist students with research in areas of individual interest.

English Competency Level - 85

Funding is available from a variety of program sources including IMET, FMS, FMF, Enhanced International Peacekeeping Capability (EIPC) and Regional Counter Terrorism Fellowship (CTFP). Specific approval may be required for some types of funding.

Participant qualifications: University level legal education. Job responsibilities as a military legal advisor, prosecutor or judge.

Course dates:

MASL P176029 – Spring offering 10 April – 23 June 2006 MASL P176026 – Fall offering 9 October – 15 December 2006

Peacekeeping For Decision Makers (MASL P176017)

This two-week course is designed for high-ranking policy makers and key advisors who need a full knowledge and understanding of the legal considerations that will impact the involvement of their country in international peace operations. A working visit to UN Headquarters and the participation of highly qualified guest instructors are significant features of this program. Specific topics include International Law, Rules of Engagement, UN Mandates, the Legal Structure and Current Status of Peace Operations, Peace Building, and National Peace Operations Law and Policy.

English Competency Level - 80

Funding is available from a variety of program sources including IMET, FMS, FMF, Enhanced International Peacekeeping Capability (EIPC) and Regional Counter Terrorism Fellowship (CTFP). Specific approval may be required for some types of funding.

Student Qualifications: Participants should hold the rank of O-6 or above (or civilian equivalent).

Course dates: 24 July – 4 August 2006

International Law Of Military Operations

(MASL P176027)

This two-week course is designed for military and civilian officials who provide legal advice to military commanders. The course will give these advisors the knowledge and skills needed to assist commanders in planning and conducting military operations in accordance with international legal standards. This course is co-presented by DIILS, Naval War College and selected international presenters.

Topics include: Legal Restrictions on the Use of Force, Law of Armed Conflict, Rules of Engagement, Status of Forces Agreements, Role of the Legal Advisor in Planning Military Operations, and Laws Governing Operations on Land, Sea, and Air.

English Competency Level - 80

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Student qualifications: University level legal education.

Course dates: 12 - 23 June 2006